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### RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION AND TRANSMITTAL OF SEQUENCE LISTING

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Notification of Defective Response mailed October 23, 2003, a copy of which is attached hereto, and in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.821, Applicants submit herewith a Substitute Sequence Listing in paper and computer readable form pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.821(c) and (e).

Submitted concurrently herewith is a second Preliminary Amendment which amends the specification to include the sequence identifiers.

I hereby state that the content of the paper and computer readable copies of the Sequence Listing, submitted herewith are the same. I hereby state that the submission herein under 37 C.F. R. § 1.821(g) does not include new matter.

No fee is believed due. Should the Patent and Trademark Office determine otherwise, please charge the required fee to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150. A copy of this sheet is enclosed for accounting purposes.

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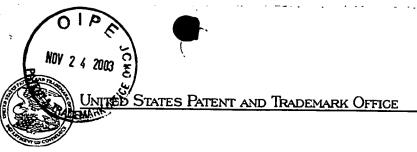
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# NOTIFICATION OF DEFECTIVE RESPONSE

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as an Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495):

- Priority Document
- Copy of the International Application filed on 07/31/2001
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 07/31/2001
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 07/31/2001
- Biochemical Sequence Diskette filed on 07/31/2001
- Oath or Declaration filed on 01/28/2002
- Biochemical Sequence Listing filed on 10/03/2003
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 07/31/2001
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 07/31/2001
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Applicant's response filed 10/03/2003 is hereby acknowledged. The following requirements set forth in the NOTIFICATION of MISSING REQUIREMENTS mailed 11/27/2001 have not been completed.

Applicant is required to complete the response within a time limit of ONE MONTH from the date of this Notification or within the time remaining in the response set forth in the Notification of Missing Requirements, whichever is the longer. No extension of this time limit may be granted under 37 CFR 1.136, but the period for response set in the Notification of Missing Requirements may be extended under 37 CFR 1.136(a).

The following items MUST be furnished within the period set forth below:

- The nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence disclosure contained in this application does not comply with the requirements for such a disclosure as set forth in 37 CFR 1.821-1.825 for the following reason(s):
  - The application does not comply with the sequence rules. See the attached comment sheet.
  - APPLICANT MUST PROVIDE:
    - An initial or substitute paper copy or compact disc of the "Sequence Listing," as well as an amendment directing its entry into the specification.



- For questions regarding compliance to 37 CFR 1.821-1.825 requirements, please contact:
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Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the response.

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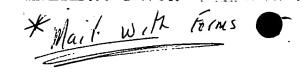
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**Comment Sheet** 



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# DOES NOT COMPLY WITH THE SEQUENCE RULES. See reasons below.

# Sample comments should be specific:

Page 42 (lines 2 and 3) contains sequences not found in the CRF.

Pages 34 and 35 (lines 24,25 and 13,14, respectively) contain sequences found in the CRF but do not have the corresponding SEQ ID NO for each sequences.

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# Sequence Rule Compliance Review Item

X	CRF, paper copy of sequence listing, and statement that both are same missing for sequences on page 42, lines 2-3.
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	CRF contains error(s) according to STIC Report
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